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FOREIGN.

The Pending Franco-Prussian Struggle.

Details of the Battles of Saturday and Sunday.

French Troops Concentrating in Heavy Force at Metz.

A Battle Looked for at that Point To-Day.

An Urgent Appeal from Eugenie Calling the Nation to Arms.

Threatening State of Affairs in Paris.

The Republican Element Again Asserting Itself.

The City on the Eve of a Popular Outbreak.

AT THE FRONT.

BERLIN, Aug. 1.—General Bothmer telegraphs to General Roonenstein, Chief of Staff at Berlin, as follows: "Between Saarbrucken Saarlouis and Forbach was a bloody one, and closed only with darkness. It was opened by the Fifteenth Division, which, with the Forty-ninth Brigade, attacked the heights between Forbach and Saarbrucken, three battalions and some cavalry. We took by assault the heights of Spicheren, and then the Forbach Heights, and with it the strong guard position of Forbach."

Another dispatch, dated Saarbrucken, to-day morning, says: "The result of the 4th battle is a brilliant victory. We have captured Forbach, which we occupied the baggage and camp equipage of two divisions."

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—There are no further advices from the seat of war this morning. The Herald publishes the following special dispatch from Berlin, dated Aug. 6, 10 P. M.: "The French army is fairly beaten, with heavy losses, and it is in full retreat; this the moment is serious in the right wing there, and the centre; that the Prussians have taken many prisoners, cannons and small arms, and, as we will have occasion to say to-morrow, in a very short time, built on Prussian soil. The battle of Forbach or Saarbrueck is finished."

Another correspondent writes from Mayence on Tuesday, giving more official telegrams would be published for the next three days.

The general commanding the Prussian army of the Rhine announces the dedicating success of the battle at Wissembourg from the French side.

Lorraine, Aug. 4.—French Despatches, to-day, represent that actual hostilities are momentarily expected, but a rumor prevails that the Prussians have concentrated, and a battle is fought before Metz.

Another dispatch says a general battle in front of Metz is considered imminent. The Prussian forces are moving in that direction by forced marches.

The defenses of Paris are officially reported nearly ready to resist the heaviest assaults, and it is said that the Government is confident of the result of the army in the field, and that the arming of all the citizens is unnecessary.

Paris, Aug. 4.—The *Journal Officiel* explains the following despatches:

METZ, Aug. 1.—[10 A. M.] In the corps of Frossard, Bataille, Metman, Chief of Staff, and Bataille, General Colson, was shot by the Marshal's side. General Nayrall is among the wounded. Our infantry displayed admirable bravery. It bore in consideration with General Patry. Metz is preparing for a vigorous defense. The General commanding the place has ordered Germans and strangers to provide themselves with permission of residence.

Paris, Aug. 5.—Paris is tranquil, despite the news from the front. The universal cry is "On to Berlin!"

The Emperor is in communication with the Department of the Vosges.

The Empress Regent presided at a Council of Ministers last night.

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The Department of the Vosges has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Haute-Marne has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Haute-Saone has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Doubs has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Jura has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Cote-d'Or has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Yonne has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Nievre has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Cher has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Indre has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Loiret has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Loir-et-Cher has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Indre-et-Loire has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Vienne has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Deux-Sevres has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Vendee has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Loire-Inferieure has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Maine-et-Loire has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Mayenne has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Sarthe has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Orne has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Eure has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Calvados has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Manche has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Ille-et-Vilaine has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Cotes-du-Nord has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Finistere has been ordered to arm.

The Department of the Morbihan has been ordered to arm.

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COMMON COUNCIL.

Returns of the School Census for the Year 1870.

The Present Population of Chicago Estimated at 350,000.

Rezoning of the Dearborn School Lot—The Waste of Water.

A regular meeting of the Common Council was held yesterday evening, Present, Ald. Cox, Bonfield, Desmarais, Byan, Haas, Montgomery, Riley, Hoffman, Wentworth, Jones, Ellis, Hesing, Sexton, Medill, Stewart, Holden, Wilson, Haas, Scotford, Anderson, Rossman, Taylor, Bridges, Carney, McGrath, Kokoska, Burton, and Mr. Mayor Heath.

ASSESSMENT ROLLS, ETC.

The report of the Committee on Warrants and Public Grounds, that the Dearborn School lot be let to Wright & Tyrrell was taken up.

On motion, the names of Isaac A. Nevally were stricken on the census.

Ald. Woodbury moved that the report be laid over. He was in favor of wasting money when it had been preserved before giving up the Dearborn School. If that was abandoned, only a year would pass before they could get a suitable lot and have to buy it.

Ald. Hahn did not believe that any more fortunate location could be found than that. They could put up two or three-story buildings in a short time. There was a population on the north side of sufficient dwellings in the South Division. Ald. Woodbury's motion was lost—Yeas, 10; nays, 20. The report was adopted—Yeas, 24; nays, 7—and the lease was executed.

SCHOOL LOT.

On motion of Ald. Haas, the Comptroller was requested to advertise for bids for the location of a brick school-house on Sedgwick and Hurlbut streets, and submit the same to the Board of Education.

SALE OF WATER.

Ald. Desmarais offered the following, which was adopted:

Whereas, Numerous complaints are made in relation to the sale of water by the meter, and the manner in which the same is conducted by the water-office; and

Whereas, It is believed that many of the meters are not correct; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be, and they are hereby instructed to examine the Water-Office, and report to this Board at their next regular meeting the manner in which the sale of water by meter is conducted, and whether the meters are correct or not.

DAMAGES ALLOWED.

The report of the Committee on Finance recommending that Miller & Lieberman be paid a certain sum for damages caused by the erection of a bridge, was taken up, the engrossment of the ordinance ordered, and the ordinance passed.

RECONSIDERATION.

The report of the Committee on Railroads on the resolution directing the reconstruction of the street railroad on Madison street between Lake and Halsted streets was then taken up.

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The report of the Committee on the Judiciary, that the City Clerk be directed to publish the City Hall rent for changes